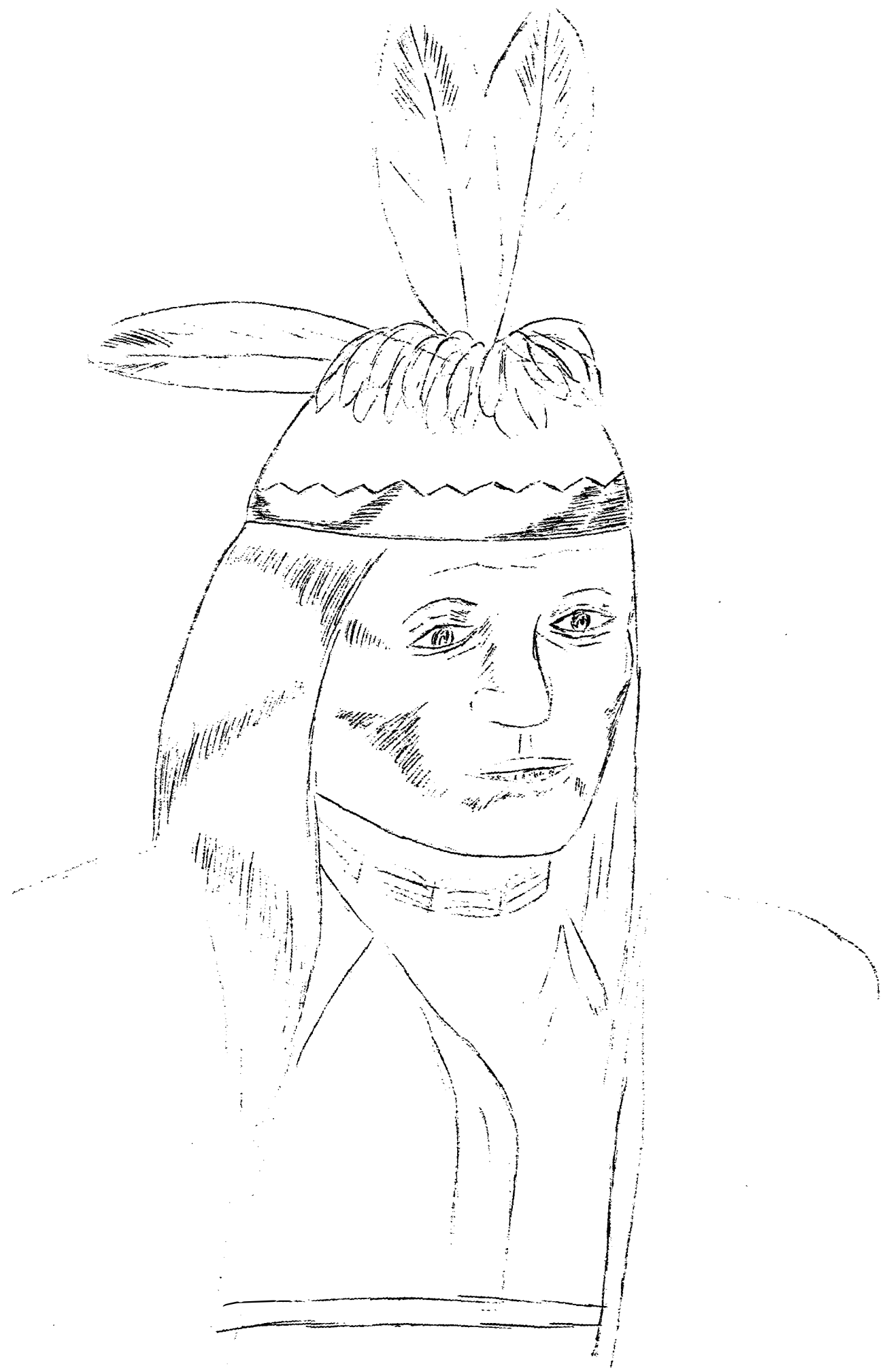


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"INDIAN LEADER DEMANDS DETERMINATION OF FUTURE"

Oneida Tribal Chairman, Purcell Powless attended the National Tribal Chairmen's Convention.

The day of the docile Indian may be done. "We are here to stay and nobody will write us off," Mescalero Apache President Wendell Chino told the opening session of the National Tribal Chairmen's Convention Tuesday. "We intend to shape our own future."

The convention at the Airport Marina Hotel has attracted representatives of approximately 100 tribes across the nation as well as federal officials. Seminars devoted to the conference's theme-"We Shape Our Own Future" - will continue through Saturday.

Chino's keynote address, entitled "The American Indian: The Final Arbiter," stressed the future above all: "As American Indians, we have been grossly wronged, hurt and abused, but we cannot linger in the past. We must live in the present. Living in the present will help us mold the future for us, our people, our children and our children's children."

Let us make our American believe that the American Indian is the final judge of his own future. We will decide what is good for us; we will decide what we want and how we want it. We will be the arbiter of our people's program, life and future."

For years, Indians have been "advised" but "we are no better off, Let us protect the values and the culture of our people. The American people have not only been ripping the American Indian of his land and resources, but also the Indian values and patterns of living have been ignored and disrupted. We must assist with the designing, planning and implementation of a new national Indian policy."

The formulation of that policy is one of the tasks this convention has adopted as its own via a lengthy position paper.

The paper, as summarized by the association's president (Robert E. Lewis, governor of Zuni Pueblo), demands that the federal government maintain its "service commitments" to the Indian people; it calls upon tribal governments to exercise their sovereignty; it notes that the federal government is aware of many Indian needs and must fund programs to meet those needs; it reminds the federal government of its trust responsibility and asks it to protect the resources owned by Indians instead of "protecting the resources from their owners" and finally, it exerts tribal leaders to make of their governments an example to be followed by subsequent generations.

The convention began with a traditional pipe-passing ceremony conducted by members of the Crow Tribe. Mayor Harry Kinney and Gov. Jerry Apodaca were to have been present to welcome the delegates but neither attended; instead, a representative of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and City Council President Jack Kilbert extended the city's greeting.

Del Lovato, chairman of the All Indian Pueblo Council, also spoke to the gathering and decried the fact that "we are faced with problems involving our water rights, involving our land. We have laws that apply only to us." However, he saw the convention as a means to working through some of those problems and termed its schedule "heavy and serious."

That schedule includes panels on Indian Health Service, the continuation of programs under the aegis of the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, tribal government and its function, the trust responsibilities of the federal government, highway safety, and the future of the Indian people, a future which Chino said should see his brothers "launch forth into the stream of society with renewed vigor and determination to confront our problems (and the) poverty and program needs of our tribes. Living in an age of advanced technology and achievement, we cannot remain silent and stand still, MOVE we must!"

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Election of National Tribal Chairman Officers for 1975.

President-  
Wendell Cheno - Mescalero-Apache  
Vice-President-  
Erin Forrest - Pit River-Modoc  
Secretary-  
Kenneth Black - Otoe Missouri  
Treasurer-  
Rick Baker - Chippewa-La Couse Ori-  
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Call for Indian Sovereignty Issued at Leaders' Meeting!!!

The call for complete and immediate Indian sovereignty and jurisdiction over Indian lands was sounded loudly here Thursday at a session of the National Tribal Chairman's Assn. (NTCA) convention.

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Although the call is not new, it gained acknowledgement of the Indian concern from federal officials, including Indian Commissioner, Morris Thompson.

Main target of tribal leaders is PL-280 which Mescalero Tribal President Wendell Chino called "the most damnable public law ever enacted."

ROBERT PIRTLE, a Seattle, Wash., lawyer whose firm represents six Indian tribes in Washington, Alaska and Montana, forecast "the death of tribal sovereignty because of PL-280."

However, Thompson, an Alaskan Athabaskan Indian, told a news conference, "I don't agree Indian sovereignty will die because of PL-280. The courts have held Indians have criminal jurisdiction on their reservations under this law." PL-280, gives some states civil and criminal jurisdiction on Indian reservations within those states, New Mexico was excluded from the law.

"Indians are asleep; they don't know what is happening to tribal authority under PL-280," Pirtle told the session.

"If you don't get together and kill this bill in Congress, you will see the end of tribal culture and sovereignty."

SOME HOPE for attacking PL-280 came from Ralph Reeser, Bureau of Indian Affairs congressional and legislative representative.

Reeser called PL-280 "one of the hottest issues" and said plans for remedial legislation would be made at a meeting next month in Denver.

Hope also came from Forest Gerald, a Blackfoot Indian and Senate Interior Committee staff member, who predicted that doing something with PL-280 "will be one of the major bills introduced in the 94th Congress."

Gerald also told the tribal leaders he has recommended "oversight hearings" on Indian water rights and natural resources on reservations and past performances of the Interior Dept., and BIA.

IN HIS MAIN talk to the convention, the 35-year old Thompson, who has headed the BIA since December 1973, reported on BIA implementation of a NTCA 1973 position paper.

ONE ITEM said "the federal government should quit "horsing" around with (BIA) realignment and get down to the business of delivery of services and protection of Indian-owned natural resources."

Thompson said the BIA "has strengthened efforts in the contracting approach to federal delivery of services to Indians."

"We are making an all-out effort to bring \$155 million of the BIA budget under tribal control by the end of fiscal 1975." This compares

with \$99 million of the BIA budget under Indian control at the end of fiscal 1974.

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### Health Care Priorities Urged

Local Indian leadership must define health and medical care priorities at the reservation level and then incorporate it into the federal budget, national tribal leaders were told here Wednesday.

Dr. Emery Johnson, a medical doctor and director of the Indian Health Service (IHS), told the tribal leaders his agency has been using the priority system to develop delivery of medical care to native Americans.

Johnson was one of the main targets in a give-and-take meeting during a session of the third annual convention of the National Tribal Chairmen's Assn at the Airport Marina Hotel.

ONE OF JOHNSON'S major critics was Dr. Everett Rhoades, a Kiowa Indian and member of the faculty of the University of Oklahoma Medical School, who called the IHS "lousy" and said he "is dissatisfied" with the agency. "Some of the knowledge of IHS is not based on reality," Rhoades told a panel on Indian Health Service. "We need to train Indians in the IHS and we need to retain some Indian qualities. This is a serious problem and is getting bigger. . . . Illnesses are related to social attitudes." Rhoades also said the "real advances in Indian health can be created in the return to Indianness."

JOHNSON POINTED OUT there was no "confrontation between IHS and the NTCA, or with me and Dr. Rhoades." Johnson said "reality is the physician and we (IHS) do not train physicians, the medical schools do. The way to get a team is by training the persons in the community where it delivers care. Training involves the physician's assistant, social workers and community workers. Social environment is crucial. . . ." Johnson conceded that "Dr. Rhoades is right. Major improvements for Indian health care are needed in areas where they live. . . ."

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The American Indian The Final Arbiter  
By: Mescalero Apache president Wendell Chano  
Of National Tribal Chairman

First of all let me thank those who have been responsible for providing me with the opportunity and privilege of Keynoting this convention. In keeping with the theme of this convention- WE SHAPE OUR OWN FUTURE, I have entitled my address, The American Indian The Final Arbiter. By understanding this title we must all work diligently to make it a principle that will be understood by all other people who desire to work with us, as we continue to shape our own future of our Indian youth. The cause of the American Indian from the time of the first recorded history has been to defend and preserve the family, the Tribe, land, water and other resources. No matter where you open the pages of the history of American Indians, every page and every year is darkly stained and smudged with sordid deception and treachery foisted upon our people. We are still protecting and advancing our cause. The battle is not on the battlefield of the Indian country, it is in the halls of Congress, the Senate Chambers, at the White House and in the State Legislative Halls. As the Navajos have proven, it is also at the voting booths. Let us continue to speak with one voice, and maintain our pride and support for our great Indian nations. Against this kind of a backdrop, against the backdrop of paternalism, against the backdrop of termination, against the backdrop of uncertainties and the on-slaught of the white man, we have maintained our Indian Tribes and Indianness. Today, of this we should be justly proud. We are to stay and nobody will write us off, as we intend to shape our own future. In the midst of troubled times, in these days of recession and inflation, while others may feel the impact of the times - you know and I know - since we have been a people of limited means - limited circumstances - we have not felt the impact of it all. We have always known hard times. It is the poor life, but it is the only one they have to live, said one chief. In spite of it all, we have remained loyal, maintained our dignity and stability. These fine attributes are the gifts of our forefathers. In our hour of need we can utilize and capitalize on these great assets. We must believe that it is possible to achieve our objectives and goals with our great heritage providing the momentum. To make advances we need the encouragement, and the support and resources of every Tribe in the United States that has a tribal constituency, a land base, water and other resources. As I have already stated, as American Indians we have been grossly wronged, hurt and abused, but we cannot linger on the past - we must live in the present - living the present will help us mold the future for us, our people, our children and our childrens children. No race of people has ever succeeded which did not first of all analyze its problems and resolved to solve them - no matter how meager and insignificant its numbers and resources may have been. It is incumbent upon us as members of the National Tribal Chairmens Association and Americans first citizens to cast this image across the land. The land has been good to us, perhaps not always in the manner, amount and abundance as we like it, but still we have received. Whatever is lacking it is up to you and me, at this moment, to seek to provide through our Tribal Councils and our individual efforts as Chairmen of our Tribes. To those who would disagree with us, we quote the words of Chief Pontiac, You have bought guns, knives, kettles and blankets from the white man until you can no longer do without them; and what is worse you have drunk the poison firewater, which turns you into fools. Fling all these things away; live as your wise forefather did before you. We are a people blessed with a wonderful heritage, among our ranks are to be found old and wise leaders with a sincere determination to improve the lot of the American Indian. When we consider our resources, our assets, and our people, the ability to cope with and assist with the forging of our future and our destiny is within our control - this has never been lost - in my opinion. It is my earnest hope and prayer that the Tribal leaders and their people will never lose the grip of control over their destiny. Let us make our America believe that THE AMERICAN INDIAN IS THE FINAL ARBITER of his own future. We will decide what is good for us - we will decide what we want and how we want it. We will be the arbiter of our peoples program, life and future. For too long other people have been telling what is good for us - what we ought to do for ourselves. By doing this they all had hoped that the Indians and their Indian problems would disappear. Wassaja, who later became known as the famous Dr. Carlos Montezuma, said, This going here and there seeking to find a solution of the Indian problem is all nonsense. It has been a problem so long that it has become a problem. It is all in our mind. To free the Indian is to free the Indian. There is nothing complicated about that. It is so simple that we cannot believe it.

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Lost;  
Black womens wallet with many  
valuable papers in. Finder may keep  
money if they wish but please return  
wallet to Health Center or contact  
Shirley Hill 869-2123 at home or  
869-2671 at office- urgent.

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CHRs the Oneida Community Health  
Centers have ~~been~~ been assigned  
separate working areas. Elaine  
Urbanek will cover the Pulaski school  
area and approximately the northeast  
section of the Oneida Community.  
Shirley Hill will work with the West  
De Pere school district and southeast  
area. Edith Reed will be in the  
Seymour school district and the north  
west part of the community. Wanda  
Webster is the supervisor of the  
CHRs and will also serve the Freedom  
school district and the southwest  
area/

Diana Denny is the MCH worker for  
Brown Couny residents and Priscilla  
Manders is MCH worker for Outagamie  
County. Audrey Doxtator is Health  
Coordinator for the Health Center.

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Remember:  
Hareen O Connor Memorial Fund  
Box 47  
Oneida, Wis. 54155

This fund was established after the  
death of Hareen O Connor to assist  
the graduate students of the Oneida  
Tribe.

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Notice: All High School Seniors

All students graduating from high  
school this spring who plan to attend  
a college or university next year  
should start the application process  
now. Contact your Home-School  
Coordinator or High School Counselor  
for assistance. The application for  
a BIA Scholarship should ~~be~~ be  
completed by you and mailed to the  
below address as soon as possible:

Higher Education Office  
Post Office Box 238  
Oneida, Wis. 54155

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A COMMENT ON EDUCATION

He always wanted to explain things.  
But no one cared.  
So he drew.  
Sometimes he would draw and it wasnt  
anything.  
He wanted to carve it in stone or  
write it in the sky.  
And it would be only him and the sky  
and the things inside him that needed  
saying.  
And it was after that he drew the  
picture.  
It was a beautiful picture.  
He kept it under his pillow and would  
let no one see it and it was all of  
him.  
And he loved it.  
When he started school he brought it  
with him.

Not to show anyone, but just to have  
with him like a friend.  
It was funny about school.  
He sat in a square, brown desk  
Like all the other square, brown desks.  
And he thought it should be red,  
And his room was a square, brown room.  
Like all the other rooms.  
And it was tight and close,  
And stiff.  
He hated to hold the pencil and chalk  
With his arm stiff and his feet flat  
on the floor,  
Stiff,  
With the teacher watching and watch-  
ing.  
The teacher came and spoke to him.  
She told him to wear a tie like all  
the other boys.  
He said he didnt likethem.  
And she said it didnt matter !  
After that they drew.  
And he drew all yellow and it was the  
way he felt about morning.  
And it was beautiful.  
The teacher came and smiled at him.  
Whats this? she said. Why dont you  
draw something like Kens drawing?  
Isnt that beautiful?  
After that his motherbrought him a  
tie.  
And he always drew airplanes and  
rocketships like everyone else.  
And he threw the old picture away.  
And when he law alonelooking at the  
sky,  
It was big and blue and all of every-  
thing,  
But he wasnt anymore.  
He was square inside  
And brown,  
And his hands were stiff  
And he was like everyone else.  
And the things inside him that needed  
saying didnt need it anymore.  
It had stopped pushing.  
It was crushed.  
Stiff,  
Like everything else.

This poem was written by a high  
school senior two weeks before he  
committed suicide. Any educator who  
reads it is bound to have questions.  
What is education meant to do? What  
is the role of the educator?

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Notice

The Tribal Chairman has asked that  
all program heads that did not hand  
in their written reports for the  
January 4th. meeting! please do so  
at this time. There will be no reports  
at the January 20th. meeting so  
council will rely on these reports.  
Also a reminder that reports are due  
again for February 3rd. meeting.  
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From the desk of the Tribal Manager.

The Oneida tribe has a long term  
lease for a post office to be located  
at Site 1 in Oneida. The lease while  
is with the Area Real Estate and  
building office project will start  
as soon as warm weather is back.  
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MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH-

"Counseling"

If you're pregnant or the mother of a new baby, problems are bound to arise.

Maybe you're a little upset or depressed and need a listener.

Maybe you're confused, or have a family problem. Maybe you need professional help and don't know how to get what you want.

Get in touch with your assistant. She's ready to be a confidential listener and knows how to obtain professional help if you want it.

The Maternal and Child Health Program will provide money for Psychological Therapy.

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Dr. Slightum, will hold office hours on Monday from 9:00 to 11:00 A.M. Please call the Health Center for an appointment.

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The Oneida Library-

New books come into the Library every Tuesday by Book Truck from Brown County Library. We have many of your old favorites such as books by Zane Grey, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Thomas Costain, Pearl S. Buck, Charles Dickens and many others. We also have the latest in paperback as well as the newest handbound books. Available in the reference collection are such volumes as Walt Disney's Wonderful world of Knowledge-20 volumes; Guinness' Book Of World Records; The New Book Of Knowledge-20 volumes; and ten vol. of the Book of Popular Science.

We have a large and varied collection of book with Indian-related themes. Of great interest are the volumes entitled The American And The United States. These books contain the reports of the commissioner for each year from 1826 to 1963(in an abridged form). Also dealt with are Congressional Debates On Indian Affairs; Acts, Ordinances, and Proclamations; Legal Decisions Affecting Indians; and Indian Treaties(unabridged).

If among our collections you do not find the titles you desire, we have available to us a statewide inter-loan system, and via teletype, we can obtain the title of your choice within a matter of days.

Our library hours are from 1 PM to 5PM Monday thru Friday, and Saturdays 9 AM to 5 PM. Evening hours are from 6:30 p.m. to 8 :30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday.

If you do not have a library card, by special arrangement with Brown and Outagamie Counties, we are able to issue cards to anyone living in these two counties. Our library is open to all persons in the area, and can be a valuable source of information for you, your organization, your school, class, or student; for anyone with the need or desire for information of any kind. Everything housed within the library walls is available to you FREE OF CHARGE (unless you forget to return your materials within three weeks); so in these days of inflation; "WHERE ELSE CAN YOU GO AND GET SOMETHING FOR NOTHING"

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Woody Webster discovered that that about 10 rifles are missing from the V.F.W. Building Post. This has been reported to local authorities along with their serial numbers. The local news station has reported that two of the rifles were found in the woods in Gresham near the novitiate.

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VANDELISM!!!!

It was discovered Friday that the Oneida Methodist Church was broken into and articles were stolen and other things were damaged. There were windows broken, Christmas tree tipped over, record player and amplifier broken along with flowers on the altar tipped over. Anyone knowing the whereabouts or seen 1 candle lighter, wax saver, and 1 tall white candle please contact Rev. Eldon Riggs.

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Our sincere condolences to the family of Katherine Skenandore. From the Staff of Kali? Wisaks.

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Following are excerpts from an address by George Wald delivered in Tokyo on Aug. 2 at the 20th World Conference Against Atomic and Hydrogen bombs. Dr. Wald, Higgins Professor of Biology at Harvard, won the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 1967.

And who are the masters?

In the so-called "free world" it is not the governments. They are only the servants, the agents, nor is it the generals. They too are only the servants.

The "free world" is run by such enterprises as General Motors, I.T.T. the Chase Manhattan Bank, Exxon, Dutch Shell and British Petroleum, Mitsubishi and Mitsui. Their wealth and power exceed any previously known throughout human history.

We think General Motors as a private business, but only eighteen nations in the world have gross national products as large as the annual sales of General Motors—\$36 billion in 1973.

Those giant corporations can buy and sell, can make and break governments. They stop at nothing. A year ago Chile was taken over by a military junta, its President Allende murdered, its great folk singer Victor Jara beaten to death. But now I.T.T., which offered our C.I.A. \$1 million to keep Allende from becoming President, can operate freely; and Anaconda Copper has just settled its claims with the new Chilean dictatorship for \$253 million.

And what of the "socialist" world? It offers us an imperialism of the left to balance that of the right.

We have had hard lessons to learn during the past years. One of them is that private wealth and personal political power are interchangeable; bureaucracies are interchangeable, generals and admirals, corporate executives and industrial commissars—all interchangeable.

Hence no nation so closely resembles the United States of America as the Soviet Union. That is what Andrei Sakharov told us a few years ago, and went on to propose that both nations now join forces to work for the good of humanity. For that he is virtually a prisoner in his own country. Policy in the modern world, right or left, is not made by the Sakharovs.

We are often told indeed that even the experts do not know how to deal with the problems that now threaten worldwide disaster, that "all the facts are not yet in," that more research must be done, and more reports written.

By all means let us have more research. But that must not be allowed to become a trap, an excuse for endlessly putting off action. We already know enough to begin to deal with all our major problems: nuclear war, overpopulation, pollution, hunger, the despoliation of the planet.

The present crisis is a crisis not of information but of policy. We could begin to cope with all the problems that now threaten our lives. But we cannot cope with any of them while maximizing profits. And a society that insists before all on maximizing profits for the few thereby threatens disaster for all.

But not for all at the same time. As matters now stand, the peoples of the Third World are to perish first. They have already begun to starve; all that is asked of them is to starve quietly. If they make trouble they will be exterminated by other means.

The developed nations are armed to the teeth, and mean not only to hold on to what they have but to grasp whatever more they can, while they can. For example, the last of the world's rapidly dwindling natural resources. For another example: As the great famines begin, the grain that might feed a hungry peasantry throughout the Third World is fed instead to cattle and hogs to supply the rapidly increasing demand for beef and pork in the affluent countries.

But their turn must come too, first of course for their poor, already hard hit by worldwide inflation and unemployment. And if there should be another major war, as seems likely, a nuclear holocaust would swallow up everything.

Unless the people of this world can come together to take control of their lives, to wrest political power from those of its present masters who are pushing it toward destruction then we are lost—we, our children and their children.

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Thought for the day:

Olihwi'yo' kati ne', sukwanolukhwa  
sukwani'.ha

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C U R F E W

NOTICE TO ALL TENANTS

FROM: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, ONEIDA HOUSING AUTHORITY

SUBJ: CURFEW TIME FOR SITE # 1 AND SITE #2

"LOITERING OF MINORS PROHIBITED"

(1) CURFEW No minor person under the age of 17 years shall loiter, idle, wander or play either on foot or in a vehicle of any nature whatsoever upon the streets, highways, roads, sidewalks, parks, playgrounds, vacant lots, or other unsupervised places of the Township of Hobart on the premises described as in the attached letter (Land description) between 10:00p.m. and 6:00a.m. unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or other adult person having care and custody of the minor.

(2) RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS, GUARDIANS, OR OTHER ADULT PERSON. No parent, guardian, or other person having the care and custody of a minor person under 17 years of age shall knowingly permit such minor to loiter, idle, wander or play either on foot or in a vehicle of any nature whatsoever upon the street, highways, roads, sidewalks, parks, playgrounds, vacant lots or other unsupervised places of the Town of Oneida, Oneida Housing Project, Site #1 and Site #2, between 10:00p.m. and 6:00a.m. unless the minor is accompanied by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult person having care and custody of the minor.

(3) PENALTIES. (a) Any minor found violating the provisions of subsection (1) for the first time shall be warned of the penalty for second and subsequent violations by any designated police officer of the Township of Oneida or the County of Brown, and shall be taken and delivered by such officer to the custody of the person having legal custody of the minor. A record of such violation shall be made and filled in the records of the appropriate Police Authority designated by the Township of Oneida through its duly elected officials. Any minor found violating the provisions of subsection (1) a second or subsequent time shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 48, Wisconsin Statutes.

(b) Any person who shall violate subsection (2) shall be subject upon conviction to forfeit not less than \$1.00 or more than \$200.00 together with the cost of prosecution, and in default of the payment thereof shall be imprisoned in the County Jail until such forfeiture and cost are paid but not to exceed 30 days. Each violation and each day a violation continues or occurs shall constitute a separate offense. This section shall not preclude the Township of Oneida from maintaining any appropriate action to prevent or remove a violation of this ordinance. The prosecution of such violation and the imposition of such penalty shall be determined by the Court authorized to enforce this ordinance as empowered and designated by the Township of Oneida.

NOTE: At the Hobart Town Board Meeting held Tuesday, January 7, 1975, this curfew was passed by a Resolution to be effective as of January 7, 1975. The speed limit signs to be put up of 25 miles per hour and 15 mph when children are present was also passed and made effective January 7, 1975. This curfew and speed limit signs does give officers the right to arrest on these causes.

If you should have any questions call the Housing Office and ask for Bob or Jean - 869-2227.

TUTORING HAS STARTED --- Community Building, Site # 2, Tuesday and Thursday, 7 to 8 PM  
Seminary, Monday and Wednesday, 7 to 8 PM  
(Use former health clinic entrance)

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NOTE: KALI WHISAKS NEWS DEADLINE IS 28TH OF JANUARY.